

SENATOR ROBINSON: Senator Hall, members of the body, I stand to oppose the Chambers amendment. I think we should vote that down, and then vote on the original bracket motion. I will say one thing for you, Senator Wehrbein. You've got some feisty individuals on the Appropriations Committee and I don't think, Senator Brown, that anyone that opposes your train of thought is a demagogue, I really don't think so, and I think we have all the right in the world to come up here and oppose the budget. I don't represent people in Lincoln. I represent people in Washington, Cuming, and Burt County. You know, I think this has been a good discussion, but, you know, it was interesting, Senator Stevens was talking, I guess he is not in here, you know, he was talking about the rhetoric, you know going back and checking these votes. I could go back and check anyone's vote on here, and I could show you that you were a big spender. Talk about 420...you can name any bill. I can remember, you know, Senator Stevens wanted to check the rhetoric of how we voted. Well, you'd only have to hire one person for me, but if you check Senator Stevens rec...rhetoric, I think you might have to have an appropriation, but it still gets down, folks, whether we like it or not, what we've done to the subdivisions on whether you want to call a lid bill or reduction or whatever you want to call it. I think that's the issue, and if...I think when that bill comes up again, if you are for this budget the way the Appropriations Committee, I think you ought to get rid of that, you ought to vote that bill down. And, you know, I have been chastised by the Speaker before, but, well, we seem to always come back and be friendly. Like Senator Hall and I, we've skirmished before, and we're still friends. My skin is pretty thick, and I was on the Appropriations Committee, Senator Brown and Senator Maurstad. I can remember two years ago, it was either two or three, in September for a week we cut a hundred million bucks out. That wasn't easy, either, I can tell you that. And I think Senator Wehrbein, and Senator Lynch was on the committee, and Senator Crosby, when we did that. But, we get a little emotional, sometimes, but I think we can disagree agreeably, and I think everyone that has spoken for this bracket bill can do that. They have as much right to support it as those folks that are against it. That's what this process is about, and if we lose that, I don't know, I think it was Senator Beutler talked about how good the process, and it is a good process. And I think Senator Chambers talked about you don't have to vote on my bills on Final Reading. I wouldn't...if I like the bill, I will vote for it. I am not going to...I am not going to hold anyone hostage if they don't vote for this bill.